

Introduced by Senator La Malfa

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Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 78—Relative to the Deputy Kenneth Frederick Perrigo Memorial Bridge, the Officer David F. Mobilio Memorial Highway, the Gold Star Memorial Bridge, the Captain Mark Ratledge Memorial Highway, the La Habra Police Officer Michael Anthony Osornio Memorial Highway.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 78, as introduced, La Malfa. Highways: memorial designations.

This measure would designate (1) the Cedar Creek Bridge East over State Highway Route 299 in the County of Shasta as the Deputy Kenneth Fredrick Perrigo Memorial Bridge; (2) the portion of State Highway Route 5 from the Riverside Avenue overcrossing to the North Red Bluff overcrossing in the City of Red Bluff as the Officer David F. Mobilio Memorial Highway; (3) the Brighton Street overcrossing over State Highway Route 20 in the City of Grass Valley as the Gold Star Memorial Bridge; (4) the portion of State Highway Route 5 from the Bownan Road overcrossing to the northbound Main Street on ramp in the City of Cottonwood as the Captain Mark Ratledge Memorial Highway; and (5) the portion of State Highway Route 39 in the City of La Habra from the south city limits to the north city limits as the La Habra Police Officer Michael Anthony Osornio Memorial Highway. The measure would also request the Department of Transportation to determine the cost of appropriate signs showing these special designations and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources covering those costs, to erect those signs.

Fiscal committee: yes.

1 WHEREAS, Deputy Kenneth Fredrick Perrigo was born on
2 December 23, 1958; and

3 WHEREAS, Deputy Perrigo first worked for the Shasta County
4 Sheriff's Office as a civilian cook at the main jail facility in 1981;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, Prior to his appointment as a Deputy Sheriff,
7 Kenneth Perrigo served our country as a member of the United
8 States Coast Guard; and

9 WHEREAS, Deputy Perrigo was hired as a full-time Deputy
10 Sheriff in 1982 and assigned to the Burney Patrol Division; and

11 WHEREAS, Deputy Perrigo was one of the charter members
12 of the Shasta County Sheriff's Office Special Weapons And Tactics
13 (SWAT) team; and

14 WHEREAS, Deputy Perrigo was a board member of the Shasta
15 County Peace Officers Association; and

16 WHEREAS, Deputy Perrigo was Scoutmaster of Boy Scout
17 Troop 216 in Fall River Mills; and

18 WHEREAS, Deputy Perrigo was a member of the Church of
19 Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Fall River Mills; and

20 WHEREAS, On Monday, October 21, 1991, Deputy Perrigo
21 arrested two suspects for being intoxicated in public, and was
22 transporting them to the Shasta County main jail in Redding,
23 California, when the suspects shot him in the back and head several
24 times using Deputy Perrigo's secondary service weapon, and he
25 died in the line of duty that day; and

26 WHEREAS, The suspects were subsequently apprehended
27 without incident, following an almost five-day pursuit, deemed
28 the largest and longest in the County of Shasta's history; and

29 WHEREAS, Then President George H. W. Bush telephoned
30 Deputy Perrigo's wife, Debra, to express his condolences; and

31 WHEREAS, Deputy Perrigo is survived by his wife, Debra;
32 daughters Kady and Kala, and son, Jared; his father, Kenneth (a
33 retired California Highway Patrol Officer) and mother, Eileen; his
34 brother, Mark; and his sister, Lisa Knox; and

35 WHEREAS, In honor of Deputy Perrigo's service and sacrifice
36 to the residents of the County of Shasta, it would be a fitting tribute
37 that the Cedar Creek Bridge East over State Highway Route 299,
38 in the County of Shasta, be designated as the Deputy Kenneth
39 Fredrick Perrigo Memorial Bridge; and

1 WHEREAS, Officer David F. Mobilio was born and raised in
2 the San Francisco Bay area, and graduated from Saratoga High
3 School in 1990; and

4 WHEREAS, Officer Mobilio moved to the City of Chico, where
5 he met and married Linda Dias, the true love of his life, and
6 decided to pursue his dream of becoming a law enforcement
7 officer; and

8 WHEREAS, Officer Mobilio graduated from the Butte College
9 Police Academy on November 30, 1995; and

10 WHEREAS, On October 17, 1997, David Mobilio was hired as
11 a Level II Reserve Police Officer for the Red Bluff Police
12 Department and in 1998 he was promoted to a full-time, permanent
13 police officer; and

14 WHEREAS, After approximately two years of service as a patrol
15 officer responding to calls ranging from vandalism, domestic
16 violence, robbery, drug violations, and driving under the influence,
17 Officer Mobilio was assigned as a Drug Abuse Resistance
18 Education (DARE) Officer for the Red Bluff Police Department,
19 providing antidrug-use education to elementary schoolchildren;
20 and

21 WHEREAS, On November 19, 2002, Officer Mobilio covered
22 the graveyard shift for another officer, and at approximately 1:30
23 a.m. he checked out at a gas station to fuel his patrol car. Following
24 several minutes without communication from Officer Mobilio, the
25 dispatcher attempted to make radio contact with him. Following
26 several more minutes of no response, a sergeant was dispatched
27 to the location and found Officer Mobilio shot to death near his
28 patrol car; and

29 WHEREAS, Officer Mobilio had been ambushed while fueling
30 his patrol car by an unknown suspect who was later apprehended
31 with the assistance of many allied law enforcement agencies and
32 who was subsequently convicted of murdering Officer Mobilio;
33 and

34 WHEREAS, In honor of Officer Mobilio's service and sacrifice
35 it would be a fitting tribute to designate a portion of State Highway
36 Route 5 in the City of Red Bluff as the Officer David F. Mobilio
37 Memorial Highway; and

38 WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Adam Strain, from the City of
39 Smartville, had wanted to be a Marine since he was old enough to

1 play with toy soldiers, and knew at 15 years of age that he wanted
2 to help his nation at war; and

3 WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Strain played defensive end on
4 the Nevada Union High School Miner's football team and
5 graduated from that school in 2003; and

6 WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Strain, who was assigned to 1st
7 Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division, 1st Marine
8 Expeditionary Force, Camp Pendleton, attached to 2nd Marine
9 Division, 2nd Marine Expeditionary Force (Forward), was killed
10 in action in Iraq on August 3, 2005, at 20 years of age; and

11 WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Strain is survived by his parents,
12 Rob and Karen Strain; his brother, Steve Tomsic; and his fiancée
13 Barbara Wycliffe; and

14 WHEREAS, Lance Corporal John "JT" Lucente, from the City
15 of Lake of the Pines, joined the United States Marine Corps during
16 his junior year at Bear River High School, where he had written
17 his senior project on the Marine Corps, and following his
18 graduation from that school in 2004, began active duty; and

19 WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Lucente had decided to join the
20 Marine Corps out of a deep desire to serve God and country; and

21 WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Lucente proudly wore his Marine
22 uniform and felt proud that he completed the rigorous training
23 required to become a Marine; and

24 WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Lucente was an honorable man,
25 who bore his commitment to the Marines with dignity and respect,
26 and was very proud to serve his country; and

27 WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Lucente, who was assigned to
28 Battalion Landing Team 2nd Battalion, 1st Marine Regiment, 13th
29 Marine Expeditionary Unit, 1st Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp
30 Pendleton, attached to 2nd Marine Division, 2nd Marine
31 Expeditionary Force (Forward), was killed in action in Iraq on
32 November 16, 2005, at 19 years of age; and

33 WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Lucente had a new baby brother,
34 Jake, whom he had named and had only seen through the Internet,
35 who was only seven weeks of age when Lance Corporal Lucente
36 died, and he is survived by his parents, Kristen Mason and Tony
37 Lucente; his sister, Cassie, and brothers, Chris and Jake; and

38 WHEREAS, Corporal Sean A. Stokes, from the City of Lake
39 of the Pines, graduated from Bear River High School in 2001; and

1 WHEREAS, Corporal Stokes was courageous, dedicated, and
2 passionate about serving as a Marine, cared deeply for his fellow
3 Marines, and extended his enlistment to volunteer for a third tour
4 of duty to serve with his platoon when it was redeployed to Iraq;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, Corporal Stokes, who was assigned to 3rd Battalion,
7 1st Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division, 1st Marine
8 Expeditionary Force, was killed in action in Iraq on July 30, 2007,
9 at 24 years of age; and

10 WHEREAS, Corporal Stokes is survived by his mother, Rita
11 Ventresca, father, Gary, stepmother, Sue Stokes, and brother,
12 Kevin; and

13 WHEREAS, In honor of the service and sacrifices of Lance
14 Corporal Strain, Lance Corporal Lucente, and Corporal Stokes, it
15 would be a fitting tribute to designate the Brighton Street
16 overcrossing over State Highway Route 20 in the City of Grass
17 Valley as the Gold Star Memorial Bridge; and

18 WHEREAS, Captain Mark Ratledge began serving the
19 Cottonwood Fire Department as a volunteer in 2003, was promoted
20 to Captain in 2008, and served the department for nine years
21 utilizing expertise he obtained while performing the perilous duties
22 of fire protection as a member of the Redding Fire Department
23 and the United States Forest Service; and

24 WHEREAS, Captain Ratledge was always willing to share his
25 knowledge and skill as a Training Officer for the Cottonwood Fire
26 Department; and

27 WHEREAS, Captain Ratledge died, at 35 years of age, on
28 February 29, 2012, after being struck by an out-of-control vehicle
29 while he was working the scene of another accident; and

30 WHEREAS, Captain Ratledge, is survived by his parents, Jack
31 Ratledge and Maria Closa; his fiancée, Jennifer Hobbs; his
32 daughter, Sophia; his stepdaughter, Hannah Jasperse; his stepson,
33 Conner Hobbs; and his sister, Susana Ratledge; and

34 WHEREAS, In honor of Captain Ratledge's service and sacrifice
35 it would be a fitting tribute to designate the portion of State
36 Highway Route 5 from the Bowman Road overcrossing to the
37 northbound Main Street on ramp in the City of Cottonwood as the
38 Captain Mark Ratledge Memorial Highway; and

1 WHEREAS, Officer Michael Anthony Osornio was born on
2 May 4, 1968, in the City of Fayetteville, North Carolina, the
3 youngest of four children, to Rafael and Guadalupe Osornio; and

4 WHEREAS, In 1976, his family moved to the City of La Puente,
5 California, and in 1979, moved to the City of Walnut where Officer
6 Osornio attended Suzanne Intermediate School and Walnut High
7 School, where he was a very active student and played football;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, Officer Osornio relocated to the City of Montclair,
10 where he resided with his fiancée, Tina Skipper, and their beloved
11 dog, Satchi; and

12 WHEREAS, Officer Osornio attended law enforcement classes
13 at Golden West College, where he received his Police Officer
14 Standards and Training Certificate in November 1991; and

15 WHEREAS, In September 1993, Officer Osornio obtained his
16 ultimate desire by becoming a proud member of the La Habra
17 Police Department, where he served for 13 months; and

18 WHEREAS, On October 31, 1994, Officer Osornio was
19 patrolling the southwest portion of the city during the graveyard
20 shift and was stopped at a red traffic signal at westbound La Habra
21 Boulevard at Beach Boulevard. He began to accelerate when the
22 westbound traffic signal changed to green, when his patrol car was
23 hit by a vehicle as Officer Osornio crossed through the intersection,
24 and he died in the line of duty from injuries sustained in the
25 collision; and

26 WHEREAS, The driver of that vehicle was driving at
27 approximately 60 miles per hour and was subsequently convicted
28 of a felony for driving under the influence of alcohol; and

29 WHEREAS, In 2000, the La Habra Police Department created
30 the Mike Osornio Drunk Driving Apprehension Award in honor
31 of Officer Osornio, and that award is given to the police officer
32 who makes the most arrests for driving under the influence; and

33 WHEREAS, Officer Osornio is survived by his parents, Rafael
34 and Guadalupe Osornio; sisters, Sonia and Margarita; and brother,
35 Rafael; and

36 WHEREAS, In honor of his service and sacrifice, it would be
37 a fitting tribute to designate a portion of State Highway Route 39
38 as the La Habra Police Officer Michael Anthony Osornio Memorial
39 Highway; now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
2 *thereof concurring,* That the Legislature hereby designates the
3 Cedar Creek Bridge East on State Highway Route 299, in the
4 County of Shasta, as the Deputy Kenneth Fredrick Perrigo
5 Memorial Bridge; and be it further

6 *Resolved,* That the Legislature hereby designates the portion of
7 State Highway Route 5 from the Riverside Avenue overcrossing
8 to the North Red Bluff overcrossing in the City of Red Bluff as
9 the Officer David F. Mobilio Memorial Highway; and be it further

10 *Resolved,* That the Legislature hereby designates the Brighton
11 Street Overcrossing over State Highway Route 20 in the City of
12 Grass Valley as the Gold Star Memorial Bridge; and be it further

13 *Resolved,* That the Legislature hereby designates the portion of
14 State Highway Route 5 from the Bowman Road overcrossing to
15 the northbound Main Street on ramp in the City of Cottonwood as
16 the Captain Mark Ratledge Memorial Highway; and be it further

17 *Resolved,* That the Legislature hereby designates the portion of
18 State Highway Route 39 in the City of La Habra from the south
19 city limits to the north city limits as the La Habra Police Officer
20 Michael Anthony Osornio Memorial Highway; and be it further

21 *Resolved,* That the Department of Transportation is requested
22 to determine the cost of appropriate signs consistent with the
23 signing requirements for the state highway system showing each
24 of these special designations and, upon receiving donations from
25 nonstate sources sufficient to cover the cost of the sign for which
26 the donations were made, to erect that sign; and be it further

27 *Resolved,* That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of
28 this resolution to the Department of Transportation and to the
29 author for appropriate distribution.